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Sent: 3/1/2021 3:21:16 PM

To: Smith, Charles [Smith.Charles@epa.gov]

CC: Mendelsohn, Mike [Mendelsohn.Mike@epa.gov]; Overstreet, Anne [overstreet.anne@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: Review Congressional Oxitec Letter (AL-21-000-1965)

Thank you. Will move this forward.

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Sent: Monday, March 1, 2021 10:18 AM **To:** Piper, Maya < Piper. Maya@epa.gov>

Cc: Mendelsohn, Mike <Mendelsohn.Mike@epa.gov>; Overstreet, Anne <overstreet.anne@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Review Congressional Oxitec Letter (AL-21-000-1965)

I have no comments on this Maya. Thanks to you and Mike for pulling it together.

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From: Piper, Maya < Piper. Maya@epa.gov > Sent: Monday, March 1, 2021 9:28 AM
To: Smith, Charles < Smith. Charles@epa.gov >

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Subject: Review Congressional Oxitec Letter (AL-21-000-1965)

Good morning Billy,

We recently received another congressional letter about Oxitec's EUP. Our previous congressional response (originally from Congresswoman Murcarsel-Powell) was sent to Congressman Gimenez who took Murcarsel-Powell's place as the U.S. Representative for Florida's 26th congressional district. Congressman Gimenez sent us a follow-up letter on Feb. 17. **Please review our response (already reviewed by Mike) by EOD today.** This is due March 9.

Thank you,

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From: Bohnenblust, Eric <Bohnenblust.Eric@epa.gov>

Sent: Monday, March 1, 2021 8:31 AM

To: Reynolds, Alan < Reynolds. Alan@epa.gov>; Piper, Maya < Piper. Maya@epa.gov>

Cc: Mendelsohn, Mike < <u>Mendelsohn.Mike@epa.gov</u>> **Subject:** RE: Congressional Oxitec Letter: AL-21-000-1965

Maya,

The sentence is track changes looks fine to me as well. Thanks.

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Sent: Friday, February 26, 2021 4:52 PM

To: Piper, Maya < Piper. Maya@epa.gov >; Bohnenblust, Eric < Bohnenblust. Eric@epa.gov >

Cc: Mendelsohn, Mike < Mendelsohn. Mike@epa.gov > Subject: RE: Congressional Oxitec Letter: AL-21-000-1965

Hi Maya-

I think Eric may be done for the day, but the sentence looks fine to me.

Thanks, Alan

From: Piper, Maya < Piper. Maya@epa.gov > Sent: Friday, February 26, 2021 4:39 PM

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Subject: RE: Congressional Oxitec Letter: AL-21-000-1965

Hi Eric,

I've exported the document and cleaned up the links to reflect Sven's document preferences. Can you confirm the sentence (in track changes) on the second page looks accurate? If so, I'll move this to Billy and Anne on Monday.

Thanks,

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From: Bohnenblust, Eric < Bohnenblust. Eric@epa.gov>

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Subject: RE: Congressional Oxitec Letter: AL-21-000-1965

Maya,

I've made all of the suggested edits and deleted Ben's comment bubbles. You are good to do a final cleanup on your end and send to Billy and Anne for their review. Please copy Alan when you send it because he is acting for Mike today.

Thanks.

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Thanks for moving this to OGC, Eric. Can you confirm when you've made your final edits? I'll make sure the links are corrected before I move this to Billy and Anne.

Best,

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Subject: RE: Congressional Oxitec Letter: AL-21-000-1965

Ben,

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Subject: RE: Congressional Oxitec Letter: AL-21-000-1965

Eric,

My comments/questions and suggested edits are in the SP document.

Thanks!

- Ben

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Subject: FW: Congressional Oxitec Letter: AL-21-000-1965

Ben and Stephanie,

We have received another congressional inquiry about Oxitec and have drafted some language in response. We would appreciate OGC's review and comments on the draft letter given Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) If you could review and comment by noon on Monday March 1 so we can pass through our management. One quick note, the comms group from what used to be FEAD will address the formatting issues, we are looking for comments on content.

Thanks.

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- Show that no genetically modified female mosquitos will be released under this EUP;
- Explain what, if any, adverse impact these mosquitoes might have on the ecosystem throughout the Florida Keys, and specifically threatened or endangered species; and
- Explain what adverse impact this might have on the food chain through ingestion by local popular consumable marine life.

Using language from previous responses, I've written a first draft. **Can your team fill in any information gaps and review by EOD tomorrow?** The deadline for this letter is March 9.

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Thanks in advance,

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